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**37 CFR § 1.116**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

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For: **HANDLING A DELIVERY FAILURE AS A PROGRAM EXCEPTION IN A  
DISTRIBUTED ASYNCHRONOUS ARCHITECTURE**

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In response to the Official Action dated **January 2, 2008**, reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the amendments and/or remarks as indicated below:

☐ **Amendments to the Specification** begin on page \_\_\_\_\_ of this paper.

**Do Not Enter** ☒ **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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☐ **Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page \_\_\_\_\_ of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.

☒ **Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.